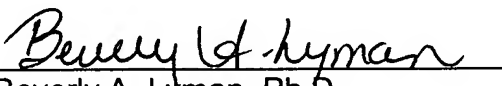


REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 4-7, and 9-15 have been amended. New claims 16 and 17 are added. Applicants respectfully state that no new matter has been added.

Applicants do not believe there is any fee, other than the filing fee, due with this submission. Should any fees or surcharges be deemed necessary, Examiner has authorization to charge fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3000. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney if there are any questions or issues.

Respectfully submitted,
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